address them to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510.

For further information, please call Shirley Neff at 202/224-6689 or Jonathan Black at 202/224-6722.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Rules and Administration will meet on Wednesday, June 27, at 10:30 a.m., in SR-301, Russell Senate Office Building, to receive testimony from the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights regarding its latest report on the November 2000 election and from other witnesses on election reform in general.

For further information regarding this hearing, please contact Kennie Gill at the Rules Committee on 224–6352

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Rules and Administration will meet on Thursday, June 28, at 10 a.m., in SR-301, Russell Senate Office Building, to receive testimony from Members of the House of Representatives on election reform.

For further information regarding this hearing, please contact Kennie Gill at the Rules Committee on 224–6352.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, June 21, 2001, at 9 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on the defense strategy review.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2001, to conduct a hearing on the nomination of Ms. Angela M. Antonelli, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; Ms. Jennifer Dorn, of Nebraska, to be Federal Transit Administrator; and Mr. Ronald A. Rosenfeld, of Maryland, to be President of the Government National Mortgage Association.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Thursday, June 21, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. on International Trade.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, June 21 at 9:00 a.m. to conduct an oversight hearing. The committee will receive testimony to consider national energy policy with respect to fuel specifications and infrastructure constraints and their impacts on energy supply and price, (Part II).

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the Session of the Senate on Thursday, June 21, 2001, to hear testimony regarding the nominations of William Henry Lash, III, to be Assistant Secretary, Department of Commerce; Allen Frederick Johnson, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President; Brian Carlton Roseboro, to be Assistant, Department of the Treasury: Kevin Keane, to be Assistant Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; Wade F. Horn, to be Assistant Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, June 2,1 2001, to hear testimony regarding Trade Promotion Authority.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee on Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Thursday, June 21, 2001 at 2:30 p.m. for a hearing to consider the nominations of Kay C. James to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management and Othoniel Armendariz to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet on June 21, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. in room 485 Russell Senate Building to conduct a hearing to receive testimony on the goals and priorities of the member tribes of the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes for the 107th session of the Congress.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee

on Small Business be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate for a hearing entitled "S. 856, Small Business Technology Transfer Program Reauthorization Act of 2001" on Thursday, June 21, 2001, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in room 428A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Sub-committee on European Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, June 21, 2001 at 9:30 a.m. to hold a nomination hearing as follows:

Nominees:

Mr. William S. Farish, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Mr. Howard H. Leach, of California, to be Ambassador to France.

The Honorable Alexander Vershbow, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador to the Russian Federation.

Additional nominee:

Mr. Anthony Horace Gioia, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malta.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Dan Munoz, Mahdu Chugh, Elizabeth Field, Beth Cameron, and David Bowen, fellows in Senator KENNEDY's office, be granted the privilege of the floor for the duration of the debate on the Bipartisan Patient Protection Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Dorothy Walsh of Senator BILL NELSON's staff be granted the privilege of the floor during consideration of the bill now before the Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Christie Onoda, a Health fellow, and Geoff Moore, an intern in Senator DODD's office, be granted floor privileges for the duration of the debate of the Bipartisan Patients' Protection Act of 2001.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the privilege of the floor be given to Kelly O'Brien Yehl, a detailee on my staff, for the pendency of the debate on S. 1052, the Bipartisan Patient Protection Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2001

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate